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1. Agency V MEF
Component/location CJHP
Purpose or principal activity (military planning, foreign aid, briefing, research, etc.) Military Planning
Your position (job title) G-2
Your fields of responsibility (geographic area and/or specialty) Central & South America
2. Is the NIS Production Status Report available for your use? ☒ Yes ☐ No
Do you regularly use it? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Receipt of NIS units is:
☐ Regular and systematic ☒ Irregular, with some gaps ☐ Sporadic and uncertain

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4. Below is a list of available NIS publications.

a) Indicate in column I the frequency of use by means of the following symbols:

A=Regularly B=Occasionally C=Rarely D=Never

b) Indicate in column II your use, according to the following symbols (multiple uses may be indicated):

1=Planning and operations

2=Research, analysis, and production

3=Briefings

4=General background and orientation

5=Other (specify) Corroborative

Col. I	Col. II		Col. I	Col. II	
<u>A</u>	<u>1234</u>	General Survey (check sections used most frequently)	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Telecommunications
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Chronology	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Population
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Introduction	<u>B</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Characteristics of the People
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Geography	<u>B</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Religion, Education, and Public Information
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Transp. and Telecom.	<u>B</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Manpower
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Sociological	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Health and Sanitation
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Political	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Intelligence and Security
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Economic	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Subversion and Insurgency
	<u>A</u> <u>124</u>	Scientific	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Agriculture, Fisheries, and Forestry
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Armed Forces	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Fuels
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Area Brief	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Electric Power
	<u>A</u> <u>1234</u>	Summary Map	<u>B</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Minerals and Metals
<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Basic Intelligence Factbook	<u>B</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Manufacturing and Construction
<u>A</u>	<u>5</u> - - -	Coasts and Landing Beaches	<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Trade and Finance
<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Weather and Climate	<u>A</u>	<u>5</u> - - -	Armed Forces
<u>B</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Meteorological Organization and Facilities	<u>B</u>	<u>1</u> - - -	Marine Climate
<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Topography	<u>B</u>	<u>1</u> - - -	Oceanography
<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Urban Areas			
<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Railroads			
<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Highways			
<u>A</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Inland Waterways			
<u>A</u>	<u>5</u> - - -	Ports and Naval Facilities			
<u>B</u>	<u>1 2 3 4</u>	Merchant Marine			
<u>B</u>	<u>12</u> <u>3 4</u>	Civil Air			

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5. In general, do you consider yourself:

- ☒ a. Regular user of NIS publications
☐ b. Infrequent user

6. If you checked 5,a, above, which of the following best describes NIS usefulness:
(If more than one applies, indicate rank by using 1 for highest.)

- ☒ Principal source of information
☐ Secondary source
☐ Supplies information in a conveniently assembled form not otherwise available
☒ Supplies corroborative information
☐ Other (specify) _____

7. If you checked 5,b, above, which of the following best describes your reasons for only infrequent use:
(If more than one applies, indicate rank by using 1 for highest.)

- ☐ Not readily available
☐ Not sufficiently current
☐ Too summarized and generalized
☐ Too detailed
☐ Only marginally related to my needs
☐ Needs filled by other publications (specify) _____

☐ NIS of value only in conjunction with other publications (specify) _____

☐ Other (specify) _____

8. Has the NIS been consulted for crisis situations, crash projects, or emergency planning?

☒ Yes ☐ No Why? _____

If you checked "Yes" above, how useful was it under these circumstances?

☐ Excellent ☒ Good ☐ Adequate ☐ Marginal

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9. With reference to the NIS publications listed in 4, above, what are the major shortcomings you have found in the NIS? (Please relate these to your own needs, considering adequacy of coverage, reliability of content, currency, length and detail of presentation, and security classification.) The information provided on page 2 might appear to smack of redundancy and the expenditure of minimal efforts. However, this command is preparing contingency plans on selected countries and find the NIS publications invaluable. Frequently the information presented is extremely antiquated and only useful as corroborative information. This applies primarily to Coasts and Landing Beaches, Ports and Naval Facilities and Armed Forces which are subject to frequent changes. A program which would frequently up date the NIS productions would be beneficial to all users. (answer may be continued on the reverse)

10. What specific suggestions can you make for improving the content (including graphics), coverage, organization, and format of NIS units? Keep same format for each country covered. The General Survey is the most widely used for preparation of our operation plans mainly because it is kept current but it does not provide enough detail.
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Signature (optional)

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